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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 5,929,849
U.S. Patent No. 5,918,012
U.S. Patent No. 5,878,219

Bugaj, Stephan, et al.; "Synchronized Multimedia Integration Language"
XP-002275957, W3C Working Draft 2-February-98, from website
<<http://www.w3.org/TR/1998/WD-smil-0202>>, retrieved April 2, 2004.

These documents were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above-identified U.S. application. A copy of the Search Report from the European Patent Office, which is dated April 16, 2004, is enclosed.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

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